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Sheungshui	dep.		7.39	8.12	9.37	10.44	—	11.47	3.04	4.44	5.22	6.15	—
Fanling	dep.		7.53	8.25	9.52	10.58	—	11.51	3.19	4.48	5.32	6.17	—
Taipo Market	dep.		7.45	8.39	9.45	10.55	—	12.05	3.11	5.01	5.36	6.32	—
Taipo	dep.		7.47	8.34	10.11	11.03	—	12.07	3.17	5.06	5.47	6.31	—
Shatin	dep.		8.00	8.47	10.26	11.16	—	12.21	3.43	5.23	6.03	6.54	—
Yuenlong	dep.	7.37	8.16	8.58	10.38	11.28	—	12.36	3.57	5.36	6.16	6.59	—
KOWLOON	arr.	7.58	8.32	9.09	10.46	11.37	11.51	12.45	4.07	5.45	6.19	7.04	7.38

UP TRAINS

Stations		No. 2 Local a.m.	No. 2A Local a.m.	* No. 6 Through Express a.m.	No. 10 Local a.m.	No. 8 Through Slow a.m.	No. 16 Local a.m.	No. 18 Joint Recreation a.m.	No. 12 Local p.m.	No. 14 Thro. Express p.m.	No. 24 Local p.m.	No. 26 Local p.m.	No. 28 Local p.m.
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Yaumati	dep.	6.51	7.13	—	—	9.18	12.55	12.03	1.17	—	6.45	8.57	7.20
Shatin	dep.	7.08	—	—	—	9.33	12.55	12.21	1.29	—	6.58	9.10	7.33
Taipo	dep.	7.17	—	—	9.58	9.52	13.23	12.34	1.38	—	7.06	9.18	7.45
Taipo Market	dep.	7.23	—	—	—	9.57	13.28	12.38	—	—	7.13	9.27	7.50
Fanling	dep.	7.36	—	—	—	10.08	13.19	12.48	2.06	—	7.23	9.37	7.55
Sheungshui	dep.	7.46	—	—	6.14	10.14	13.41	1.10	—	—	7.37	9.51	8.08
Shum Chun	arr.	7.46	—	8.50	6.19	10.19	13.46	1.15	—	6.52	7.42	9.57	8.08
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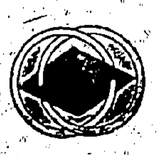

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DIVISION II.—Kick-off 2.45 p.m.
H.M.S. *Durban v.* King's Regt., Navy "A" ground.
H.M.S. *Magnolia v.* H.M.S. *Forglove*, Navy "B" ground.
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HOCKEY.

HONGKONG H.C. *v.* H.M.S. "TAMAR."

The following will represent the Club in a match against H.M.S. *Tamar*, at 5 p.m. to-day (Wednesday), at Happy Valley:—A. Bower, G. Murray, W. W. Mackenzie, E. G. England, F. H. Holdman, E. J. R. Mitchell (capt.), G. H. Piercy, H. Romington, Rev. N. Evans, F. C. Miller and F. Schnepel.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. *v.* C.S.C.C.

The following have been selected to play for the Hongkong C.C. in a friendly match against the Civil Service C.C. on the Club ground at 2.15 p.m. next Saturday:—T. E. Pearce (capt.), L. J. Davies, R. E. A. Webster, H. Owen Hughes, A. A. Claxton, A. N. Wild, B. D. C. Morgan, F. H. Farthing, G. A. Chadwick, J. D. Humphreys and A. K. MacKenzie.

CHINESE POSTAL RATES.

REPUDIATION OF PEKING ORDERS BY CHEKIANG PROVINCE.

General Lu Yung Hsiang, Tupan or Director-General of the Rehabilitation of Chekiang, has issued orders to the Postal and Telegraph Administration in this province, repudiating the order of the Ministry of Communications with reference to the increase in the postal and telegraph rates.

In a circular telegram General Lu declares that the increased tariff not only imposes a heavy burden upon the people but also impedes the progress of industrial development and inconveniences communications.

In his telegram the General says:—"The prelimary purpose of the establishment of postal and telegraph services was and should be to benefit the people and not to profiteer. In the event of loss being incurred by either or such administrations, the Government should grant subsidies for their maintenance and should not shift the burden on the people.

Szechuen, Kwangtung, Fengtien, Kirin, Heilungkiang, Hunan and other provinces are opposed to the increased imposts. At present, when national reunification is being effected, no issues should be tolerated that tend to defeat that purpose."

Furthermore, General Lu adds that he understands that the increased tariff will be hypothecated for foreign loans and that the Shanghai Telegraph Administration has already been placed under the control of a certain country and its receipts are being deposited with the banks of that country.

"FOOL PROOF" TRAM CARS FOR SHANGHAI.

Shanghai is to have "fool-proof" trams, according to information contained in the *Municipal Gazette*, which states that the Tramway Company has agreed to the Council's recommendation that new cars are to be equipped with doors which will be locked to prevent passengers from alighting or boarding a car while in motion.

The Tramway Company has also agreed to transfer the track from North Soochow Road to Soochow Road, and to undertake the extensions on North Szechuen Road.

As a result of the agreements reached in connection with these two matters, it is said that a formal agreement between the Council and Company covering the rail and railless extension proposals will be drawn up in the near future.

SAIGON RICE MARKET.

The Compagnie de Commerce et de Navigation d'Extreme Orient, in their report dated Saigon, December 4th, state:—

Our market has been very quiet during the last fortnight. Prices have made a further drop but the position still remains uncertain owing to the shortage of arrivals of paddy from the interior. Harvesting of the very early varieties has started, but the new paddy for export will not come on to the market for a few weeks.

The total amount of rice exported from January 1st to November 20th is 1,119,465 tons against 1,342,309 in 1921.

We quote to-day:—White Saigon rice, No. 2 sifted, Japan quality, Hongkong $5.10 per picul, f.o.b., Saigon, for December/January shipment.

SEARCHING FOR WORK.

AN AMERICAN'S EXPERIENCES IN HONGKONG.

Charles Hansen, an American, was sent to prison yesterday morning by Mr. J. R. Wood, the First Magistrate, for having stowed away on the s.s. *Patrick Henry*, a vessel belonging to the Pacific Mail Steamship Co.

The defendant, it appears, lives at Manila and sometime ago came to Hongkong on one of the President boats. He spent the time in Hongkong searching for work, but his efforts were unrewarded and he decided to rejoin his wife and children at Manila.

On the night of the 10th inst. he was found by the Master of the *Patrick Henry* in the crew's quarters. He was ordered off the ship, but later the same night he was discovered in the store-room. On being ordered off the ship again, Hansen became insolent and was placed in irons. Later he became quieter and the Master allowed him to proceed ashore. On the following morning a further search was made for stowaways and the defendant was again discovered in the store-room. This time he was handed over to the police.

Asked by the Magistrate why he had remained on board after being ordered off, the defendant said he was trying to get back to his wife and children.

Mr. J. Oram Sheppard, local manager of the Pacific Mail S.S. Company, who was present in Court, said he did not press for a heavy sentence.

WOMAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE TWICE.

SAID TO HAVE BEEN DESERTED BY HER LOVER.

A Chinese woman, whose lover was said to have deserted her, attempted to commit suicide on two separate occasions recently, the first time by drowning and next by poisoning. Her life, however, was saved on both occasions, and yesterday she appeared before Mr. Lindsell to answer for her unfortunate action.

It appears that the woman came here recently from Singapore, accompanied by a man. After living together in Yaumati for some time the man is said to have deserted her. He was sometime ago charged in Court with stealing the sum of $800 from her, but the charge was not proved and he was discharged. These incidents are said to have preyed upon the woman's mind.

The woman admitted to the Magistrate that it was the second time that she had tried to take her own life. His Worship pointed out that she was decently dressed and did not appear to be financially embarrassed.

Inspector Caygill said the defendant had lots of friends and many of them called at the charge-room on the previous day and offered to bail her out.

The woman promised not to repeat her former actions and expressed regret for what she had done.

His Worship bound her over to keep the peace in the sum of $100.

AT THE MAGISTRACY.

RECKLESS DRIVING IN QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

A charge of reckless driving while in Queen's Road East was preferred against the chauffeur of Dr. Woo at the Magistracy, yesterday morning.

Inspector Garrod said the offence occurred on the 4th inst. at about 8.55 a.m. Defendant was driving eastwards at an estimated speed of between thirty and forty miles an hour. Two Europeans were riding in a motor-cycle and side-car along the same road, in the opposite direction, and the defendant had to swerve violently in order to avoid a collision. His car was a blue Essex model, number 69.

Mr. R. E. Attwell said he was the driver of the motor-cycle, and at about 8.55 a.m. on the day in question he was riding in a westerly direction when he saw the defendant, driving car 69, coming in the opposite direction. He was travelling at a speed well over thirty-five miles an hour. He overtook another car and then crossed right in front of witness. He swerved violently to avoid them, and in doing so skidded badly. A few inches nearer and a serious accident would have occurred.

Corroborative evidence was given by Mr. J. F. de Rome, who was riding in the side-car with the last witness.

The Magistrate (Mr. Lindsell) imposed a fine of thirty dollars.

"MADE TO" NO EXCUSE.

The driver of a car owned by the Connaught Garage was charged with driving a car in Kennedy Road without the necessary permit.

Inspector Garrod said cars were allowed to go as far as the steam laundries from the Easterly direction and as far as Macdonell Road from the Westerly direction.

Defendant said there were two Naval Officers in his car, and they made him drive there.

Inspector Garrod said the officers were on H.M.S. *Hawkins*, and accepted all the blame. But he would point out that there was no question of defendant being "made" to go; he need not have done had he not wished.

A fine of one dollar was imposed.

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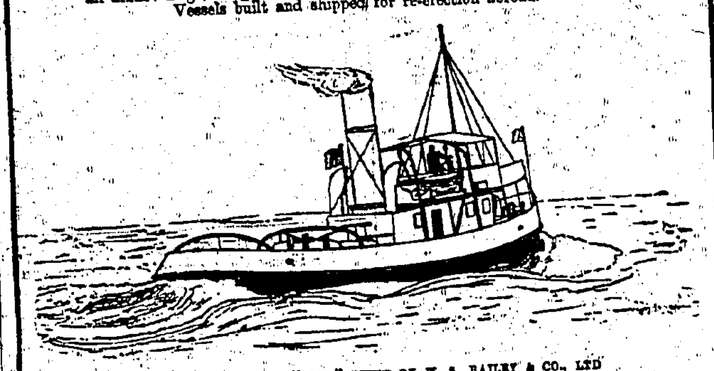

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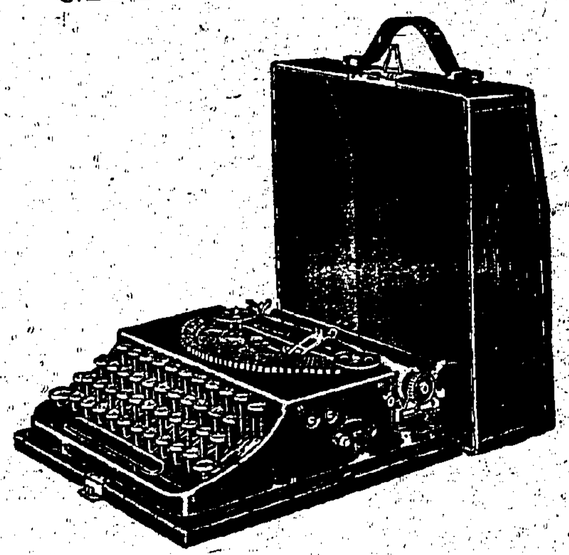

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A STRIKE OF BAKERS.

ALSO OF BREAD DELIVERY COOLIES.

FACTORS IN THE STRIKE.

A totally unexpected development has arisen in connection with the demands made by local bread bakers, pastry cooks, and bread delivery coolies for more money and shorter hours. On Monday night, after the baking was completed, for yesterday morning's supply, the bread bakers and delivery coolies employed by Cafe Wiseman and the bakers employed by M. Y. San, biscuit manufacturers, went on strike. Consequently a considerable amount of inconvenience has been occasioned to those residents who depend upon the Cafe Wiseman and M. Y. San for their supplies.

ORIGIN OF THE DISPUTE.

The origin of the dispute dates back to last September when the Hip Chun Labour Association, to which these particular workers belong, sent out circulars to every employer demanding certain wage increases, and improvements in working hours. A good deal of correspondence passed and finally the Associations demands were reduced to the following:—

1.—Scale of wages:—

Original Monthly Wages:	*Percentage to be Increased.*
Boy Apprentice	Start with $2 at least.
From $2 to $5	Increased by 45%
„ $6 „ $10	„ „ 35%
„ $11 „ $20	„ „ 25%
„ $21 „ $30	„ „ 20%
„ $31 and upwards	„ „ 15%

2.—The daily working time shall not exceed 12 hours. This shall not apply to non-bakers or bakers having to do miscellaneous work. As regards working time, Cafe labourers shall remain as before.

3.—In respect of bakeries, 60 per cent. of the sum realised from the proceeds of sale of flour bags, and the whole amount realised from the sale of sugar bags, empty cases and boxes, and miscellaneous articles, etc., shall be paid to the firm's employed labourers to be divided among themselves as extra, or perquisites. The extra money or perquisites paid to the cafe labourers shall be divided according to the same custom and rate as before, and the amount or share paid to the Capitalist for perquisites shall not hereafter be increased or decreased.

4.—A sum equivalent to his 4 days' wages shall be paid to every labourer (at the same time as paying wages) in addition to his monthly wages.

The 5th day of the 5th moon of every Chinese year, which is the Anniversary day of this Labour Association, shall be observed as a general holiday for all members of the Hip Chun Labour Association.

At the end of the last moon of every Chinese year, one more month's wages shall be paid to every labourer as bonus. This applies to cafes having bread for sale.

5.—An employed labourer shall not be unreasonably dismissed or fined, if he has not committed any offence against any of the standing rules of the firm. Every firm shall have and disclose its own standing rules. In the event of his being mixed up with other offenders, the reason of his being liable to be dismissed must be clearly disclosed so as to show justification, otherwise, one month's wages in lieu of notice must be paid to him before he can be dismissed.

6.—In the case of engaging a new labourer, the management must first consult the head labourer in a fair and agreeable manner before the admittance of a new man. If an employé resigns to take up a better position, he must give the management 14 days' previous notice.

7.—In respect of bakeries, the No. 1 and No. 2 bakers shall have power to admit apprentices, if they have consulted and obtained the consent of the management. The full time for training an apprentice shall not exceed 3 years.

The above 7 conditions in respect of increase of wages have been fully discussed and agreed to by representatives respectively nominated by the labour and capital, and shall be accordingly enforced. The representatives of both sides, therefore, signed as testimony.

Great Britain, 20th day of October, 1922.

Chinese Republic, 11th Year, 9th Moon, 1st day.

Most of the Chinese bakeries agreed to the terms and signed the contracts.

The case of the Cafe Wiseman was rather different, however. Some time ago the firm made the following offer to the workers:—All those earning from $6 to $10 to be increased by 35 per cent.; those from $10 to $20 increased by 25 per cent.; those $21 to $30 increased by 20 per cent.; and all those earning $31 and upwards to be increased by 15 per cent. In addition, the break bakers and pastry cooks were to receive 50 per cent. of the sum realised from the sale of empty flour bags; four days' wages were to be paid each month for Sunday work; and one month's wages to be paid at Chinese New Year as a bonus.

The men themselves indicated that they were willing to accept the offer, but their Association was not.

Mr. Goodall, the Manager of Wiseman's was laid up with a poisoned foot, and while he was at his house on Monday the men came to see him and asked him to sign the document to which both parties acquiesced. Mr. Goodall told them that as the matter had been under discussion ever since the beginning of September there would appear to be no immediate hurry, and he would sign it on his return to business on Wednesday. They expressed themselves as satisfied.

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It seems that after this they went to a Guild meeting which was attended by the Chinese master bakers, who, under pressure brought to bear on them, consented to sign the document submitted by the Guild. The M. Y. San was the only exception. It would seem that the idea arose that when Mr. Goodall was well enough to return to business, he might decline to conform to the requirements of the Guild, and, therefore, the men were advised to strike, which they did, taking with them the delivery coolies. They knew from experience of the previous strike that substitute European bakers could be found and concluded that the withdrawal of the coolies also was necessary to embarrass their victims.

As far as Cafe Wiseman is concerned there is no dispute as regards working hours, for that particular firm's employés never have been worked more than twelve hours a day.

"Business as usual" is the motto of Cafe Wiseman, however, and at present the bakery is being carried on with volunteer help. They can go on baking bread in the same quantity as usual, though only in 1lb. loaves. There will be no delivery, of course, for there are no bread delivery coolies available, but bread will be handed over the counter at the cafe.

It should be understood that the strike is confined entirely to bread bakers and delivery coolies as far as Cafe Wiseman are concerned, for the Cafe boys, and the cooks have accepted the firm's terms and are still working.

Bread will be obtainable at Kowloon from the On Lee, the compradore, and also at the Empress Store, whilst Wiseman's branch will provide bread at Taikoo. Should it be necessary, distributing agencies will be opened later on.

OBITUARY.

MR. DONALD MACDONALD.

News reached the Colony by mail yesterday of the death at home of Major Donald Macdonald, V.D., M.I. Mech. E., M.I.M.E., who for just on thirty years was a resident of Hongkong, and enjoyed the respect and esteem of a very wide circle of friends who will deeply regret to learn of his death.

An engineer by profession, he served his apprenticeship with Messrs. Craig and Donald Johnstone, and Messrs. Denny & Co., of Dumbarton, and in 1878 was appointed by them as junior engineer to one of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s steamers, on the China Coast. He became a Chief Engineer in 1882. In November, 1889, he joined the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. as foreman engineer, but left the Dock Co. in 1896 to establish the firm of Kinghorn and Macdonald (which later was changed to Macdonald & Co.), Surveyors to the Bureau Veritas, British Corporation and other Registers, engineers, contractors and machinery agents. Mr. Macdonald continued to take an active interest in the firm up to the time of his departure from the Colony three or four years ago.

For many years Mr. Donald Macdonald was Engineer of the Fire Brigade, and will be remembered especially for the keen interest he took in the local Volunteer force in which he held the rank of Major. He was also a prominent Freemason. At the time of his departure from the Colony he was Deputy District Grand Master for Hongkong and South China, E.C., and he was present at the recent great Masonic function in London shortly before his death, which followed unexpectedly, we learn, after an operation for the removal of gall stones.

Mr. Macdonald married a daughter of the late Mr. Crawford one of the founders of the firm of Lane, Crawford & Co., who died a few years ago, leaving to Mrs. Macdonald a considerable fortune.

Shortly after their return Home, Major Macdonald purchased "Glenwood," the residence and grounds at Virginia Water, Surrey, formerly owned and occupied by the late Mr. C. H. Ross, who for some years was taipan in Hongkong, and later in London, of the firm of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.

The news of Major Macdonald's death comes as a shock to his many friends in the Colony as recent news from friends in close touch with him gave no indication of his being in a bad state of health. He leaves to mourn his loss a widow, one married son (in the Navy) and a married daughter. Another son, who was also in the Navy, perished in the War. Major Macdonald was 64 years of age, and died at his residence on November 5th.

MR. C. W. DUGGAN.

The mail also brings news of the death of Mr. C. W. Duggan, who was for many years Secretary of the Hongkong Sanitary Board. He retired on pension in March, 1901, and had recently been living at Blackheath. Mr. Duggan, at the time of his death, was in the 73rd year of his age.

A SANITARY BOARD DISTINCTION.

Scotland had not yet followed in the footsteps of Ireland, and become totally independent of England. We mention this because there seems some doubt on the matter at the Sanitary Board Offices. The health return for the past week states that there were six cases of diphtheria, "one Scottish, one British, four Chinese." The United Kingdom has not yet gone to the dogs to the extent of making it necessary to draw a distinction between the Scottish and the British.

RENTS ORDINANCE CASE.

LANDLADY SUMMONED FOR "MALA FIDES."

A Chinese woman named Mrs. Wong Chan Ping was the defendant in a Rents Ordinance case opened before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy, yesterday. The complainant in the case is Young Cheung, a trader of 127, Second Street, first floor. He has summoned the defendant for alleged *mala fides* in that she induced the complainant, who is the lessee of a domestic tenement, No. 13, Pokfulum Road, ground floor, to give up possession of the house by sending him a notice to quit dated February 2nd, 1922, the notice purporting to be in accordance with the law.

Mr. F. E. Nash appeared for the complainant and Mr. M. K. Lo for the defendant.

In outlining the case Mr. Nash said that defendant was the owner of seven houses, of which No. 13, Pokfulum Road, was one. In October, 1921, defendant entered into an agreement for the purchase of this property and completed the sale in December, 1921. Through her agent, Lam Leung, she entered into an arrangement with an architect to make certain alterations. Messrs. Raven and Raven inspected the premises in October and plans were submitted to the building authorities. These plans were not approved and between October and March various others were sent in. On March 23rd the plans were approved and two days later the defendant sent complainant notice to quit, the notice purporting to be in accordance with the law. Messrs. Raven and Raven also sent a letter in English asking complainants to move out, pointing out that the owner had given them the necessary notice and they had to quit. In consequence of that notice, and what took place between the agents and defendants, the tenants left the premises. Mr. Nash submitted that the notices sent to the tenants were *mala fide* and defendants were liable to a penalty under section 6 of the Rents Ordinance Act.

The complainant was then put in the box. He said he was living at a family house, No. 127, Second Street, and had lived their since April 27th last. Previous to that he had lived for six years at No. 13, Pokfulum Road. He moved out of the house as the result of a notice received asking him to quit. He spoke to the defendant's agent about the notice and witness was then told that certain alterations were being made to the house; directly these were completed the house would be given back to him at an increased rental. The alterations were started before he actually left the house.

The Magistrate: And you really left because you were promised the house back again after it had been repaired?

The witness: Yes, I was compelled to move because things fell down all over the place.

Continuing, witness said he did not move all his belongings. He left his bedding and fixtures behind.

The Magistrate: But you had nobody's permission to leave the things there permanently. You only left them there temporarily?—Yes, that is so; but I have lost everything. I said I would move the things away as soon as I could secure a place.

Since he had left the house, continued the witness, he had visited the place occasionally and noticed that the repairs were completed on November 16th. He applied for the return of the house, but was informed by the owner's agent that he could not go back. He reported the matter to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Cross-examined by Mr. Lo, the complainant said that he had occupied the rear cubicle and a few bed spaces.

Mr. Lo: Those bed spaces, I believe, you allowed to be used by people smoking opium?

Mr. Nash interjected, pointing out that the complainant need not answer that question and perhaps incriminate himself.

Mr. Lo: I only want to point out, your Worship, that this man is a profiteer.

Answering Mr. Lo's question, the complainant said the bed spaces might have been used by people smoking opium.

At this stage the case was adjourned until this morning for further hearing.

THE ARMS TRAFFIC.

CHINESE SENT TO PRISON.

The case in which a Chinese was arrested on the Kowloon Station on Sunday morning in possession of a mauser pistol and 100 rounds of ammunition was disposed of by Mr. Wood at the Magistracy, yesterday afternoon.

Evidence was given by Mr. Neville, of the Chinese Maritime Customs and by a Chinese tidewaiter as to the searching of the defendant on the station, and to the finding of the pistol and ammunition inside the man's trousers.

The defendant, who volunteered to give evidence, said that he was a farm labourer. He came down here on a pleasure trip and met a clansman who asked him to take the pistol back to his village.

The Magistrate: This weapon was found on you. The evidence is that you came down from Canton for the purpose of obtaining this gun. You have not told me where you got it from. It seems to me that you are a member of a gang taking part in the trading of arms, and it is my duty to repress that trade. I sentence you to six months' imprisonment with hard labour and make an order that the pistol be confiscated.

The case in which a Chinese was arrested on the Kowloon-Canton express train on Sunday afternoon in possession of a mauser pistol has been further adjourned for a week pending further investigations by the police as to the man's statement that he is an officer in the Canton Army.

THE MAILS.

REASON FOR DELAYED ARRIVAL.

The delay in the arrival of the Home mails from Singapore has led, as usual, to criticism of the Singapore Post Office. The B.I. steamer *Japan* which left Singapore on the 3rd inst. and brought up the London and Straits mails was due to reach here on Saturday, the 9th, but did not arrive until yesterday morning (the 12th inst.). It is stated that the mails might have been sent on the Blue Funnel steamer *Mentor* which left Singapore a day earlier and arrived here on Friday, the 8th inst., at daylight, and the question is asked why the Singapore Post Office should not chose the fastest steamer for the service.

The explanation would appear to be that the *Japan* is a contract steamer and usually does the trip in an average of five days, but on this voyage has encountered very rough weather, and it was not possible for the Singapore Post Office to anticipate this. As to sending the mail on by a Blue Funnel steamer the Singapore Post Office will probably be reminding us of a protest made to it about a year ago because they did put the mail on a Blue Funnel steamer, which was subsequently instructed to proceed to Manila before coming to Hongkong! The real "grouse" in the present instance is against the weather. We have heard it suggested that the fact that the *Japan* carried a large number of coolies possibly caused her to proceed at a slower speed in the teeth of the gale than she might otherwise have done.

From enquiries made on board the s.s. *Japan* yesterday afternoon, we learn that the delay in the voyage from Singapore to Hongkong was solely due to bad weather. For five days the mail steamer battled with heavy seas, which swept her fore and aft. She was only able to steam at a reduced speed at times and was carried out of her course by the force of the monsoon. The s.s. *Japan* weathered the storm well and with the exception of some slight damage to the fo'cas'le fittings, she arrived in Hongkong practically unscathed. The delay, our reporter was informed, was not due to the presence of coolie passengers on board, though a number of these were carried, but they were well protected.

ANOTHER SHIP LAUNCHED AT TAIKOO DOCKS.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.'S FLEET.

The latest addition to the fleet of Messrs. The China Navigation Co., Ltd. was launched yesterday from the shipbuilding yard of the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Co. of Hongkong, Ltd.

The vessel, which is named *Nanning*, is intended for the coasting trade, and is a finely modelled steel-screw steamer of about 2,000 tons gross measurement. The principal dimensions are:—Length 305 feet over-all, breadth 44 feet, depth 21 feet 9 inches to upper deck. The ship is built on the deep framing principle, to scantlings approved by the British Corporation. The vessel has a top gallant forecastle for crew, and accommodation in the bridge for petty officers and Chinese passengers. There are large steel deckhouses on the bridge deck containing a spacious saloon, and state-rooms for the officers and engineers. The Captain's cabin, chart room, and wireless house are arranged on the boat deck, while aft, on the upper deck, is a steel house containing the steam steering gear which is of the "Wilson and Pirrie" type, placed directly over the rudder and controlled by telemotor gear from a standard on the bridge. The main and upper decks are of steel, the forecastle and bridge being teak sheathed. A double bottom for water ballast has been arranged from fore peak bulkhead to aft peak bulkhead; peak tanks being also used as trimming tanks. The vessel has four large cargo hatches ranging from 33 feet long, and has twelve derricks capable of dealing with weights up to 40 tons, with twelve powerful steam winches, also a strong warping steam windlass on the forecastle deck. The vessel is electrically lighted throughout.

Triple expansion engines, having cylinders 18in. 29in. 47in. diameter with 39 inches stroke, are being installed with two multitubular marine boilers fitted with North Eastern Marine Co.'s superheaters having a working pressure of 200lbs. per square inch. The vessel will have a sea speed of 10 knots, loaded.

The naming ceremony was performed by Mrs. H. W. Kent.

DAYLIGHT ARMED ROBBERY.

YESTERDAY'S HOLD-UP AT YAUMATI.

Early yesterday morning an armed robbery in broad daylight was carried out at No. 176, Coronation Road, Yaumati. Four men knocked at the door of the house and asked for water. As soon as the door was opened the men rushed in, two of them producing revolvers. The occupants of the house, the mistress and her maidservant were held up and robbed of two wrist watches and a small sum of money. The robbers then decamped. All the police stations on the Peninsula were informed of the affair shortly after the hold-up and detectives were sent out in search of the robbers but up to yesterday afternoon no arrests had been made.

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NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from MARSEILLES, &c., also Cargo ex s.s. "COMMANDANT MAGES" from COGNAC, in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON, TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after the 18th inst., at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 22nd inst., or they will not be recognized.

All dangerous packages will be examined on Monday, the 18th inst., at 10 A.M., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1922. [1912

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HUMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE S.S. "SIERRA MORENA" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before noon to-day.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on 15th inst., at 10 A.M., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

All claims must be presented within 15 days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th inst., will be subject to rent.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
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Hongkong, 11th December, 1922. [1904

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 15th inst., at 10 A.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Hongkong, 8th December, 1922 [1897

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THE PEOPLE'S SAVINGS CORPORATION, LTD.

7th December, 1922. [1882

NOTICE.

B. CHRISTIANSEN, DECEASED.

NOTICE issued by Order of the Danish Probate Authority, The Royal Danish Consul-General, Shanghai.

All persons having Claims against the estate of the abovenamed Deceased must file the same with the Royal Danish Consulate at Canton within 6 months from the date of this Notice. The Claims of all persons failing to comply with this Notice will not be considered.

Dated the 11th day of December, 1922.

(Sd.) WALLACE J. HANSEN,
Royal Danish Consul,
Canton.

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THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Members of THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB, will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD., Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 18th day of DECEMBER, 1922, at 5.15 P.M.

To Receive from the Committee a Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th September, 1922.

To Consider, and if thought expedient, pass a Resolution continuing the additional subscription of $2.00 per month until the 31st December, 1924.

To Elect Officers, Members of the Committee, and an Auditor for the ensuing year.

To Decide on any Resolution which may be submitted to the Secretaries and Treasurers four days prior to the Meeting.

Any Other Business.

By Order of the Committee,
PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING,
Secretaries & Treasurers.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1922.

Nominations for Members of the General Committee should reach the Secretaries and Treasurers not later than 5 P.M., on THURSDAY, the 14th DECEMBER, 1922. [1898

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FRANCE AND ENGLAND.

ONCE again France and England have been in sharp disagreement across the conference table. We are told of the present London conference, that the "first day's business proceeded smoothly." We do not imagine that Reuter's Agency has suddenly become ironical in its old age; rather do we suppose that it is nothing more or less than a sober fact that we have reached a stage in our post-war development when it is noteworthy that a gathering of Allied Premiers can meet for one day and remain harmonious. We wonder how much business is dealt with at the opening session of these conferences. At all events, subsequent telegrams rapidly obliterated the pleasing phantasy of cooing Premiers; they evidently began to talk "shop." Let us also look on the past four years as an opening session in which we have at all costs made pleasant remarks about each other, and now let us come to business.

Surely it is time to admit quite frankly that if the Anglo-French entente is not dead it is certainly *in extremis*. An international understanding which proceeds from crisis to crisis like the flicker of a cinematograph is not an understanding; it is a confounded nuisance. It is like a blister which will not burst. That this should be the state of affairs four years after the day on which the troops of England and France rested on their arms after four years of shoulder to shoulder fighting is not "unbelievable," "incredible," or "absurd," as some people still in the first session stage would have us believe: It is simply an illustration of the frailty of human nature. Human nature is indeed one of the most fixed factors in the history of the world; there are some who deny that it is susceptible to any change whatsoever. If France and England were on the footing of friendship to-day which they appeared to be on from 1914-1918, that footing which many worthy people in both countries delude themselves into thinking they are still standing upon, there would be no need for Conferences of Allied Premiers." Both countries, and Germany, would be settling their differences through the medium of the League of Nations. Human nature has not yet been educated up to that standard. Taking things as they are what do we find? We find the statesmen of France and England essaying an impossible task. They are endeavouring to maintain an Entente between two countries whose foreign policies diverge in every direction. We will enumerate some of these divergencies.

The first and most fundamental is the question of reparations. The English point of view is that it is unjust and above all things bad business to cripple an impoverished and enfeebled Germany. Make her pay what is practical, by all means, though it will never be adequate, but to seize the "Ruhr basin" and apply other proposed sanctions would, in British eyes, be worse than a blunder; it would be a crime. France, doubtful of Germany's repentance, sceptical of her poverty, dependent for her own financial stability on receiving reparations which no impartial economist believes possible of payment, feeling the cold chill of European isolation creeping about her bare shoulders, clings with fearful tenacity to the Treaty of Versailles which her allies, and notably the British Empire, signed and sealed. In its ferocious terms she sees her only hope and in those terms England has begun to read the death sentence of Europe. Fundamental difference this; difference not amenable to any formulae, devise the experts never so cunningly.

At the Washington conference another divergence arose. The Empire, supported by the United States of America, worked for the abolition of submarines. France worked for their retention. She had her wish. The national motives are here plain. To a sea-linked Empire, dependent for its existence on ocean trade, submarines are a deadly menace. To France, unable to afford a surface fleet, her position amongst the navies of the world rapidly receding into obscurity, submarines offer an opportunity to obtain some sea power by menacing trade. Whose trade? That question when asked at Washington remained unanswered, and H. G. WELLS on answering it in the *Daily Mail* had his contract as a special correspondent abruptly terminated. Finally, there is the Near East. The consequences of the divergencies between French and British policy in this area are still a prominent feature in the international situation. France, anxious for Syria (though she is only the mandatory power thereof) and hostile to Greece, entered into negotiations with the Turkish Nationalists without consulting England. When Greece collapsed one might be pardoned for supposing that some of the French papers were celebrating a national victory over "perfide Albion." In the course of the subsequent events at the Dardanelles, France withdrew her troops at the critical moment and left the English *en l'air*.

It is difficult, being English, to write of these matters other than from the English point of view, but that is not to infer that from the French standpoint her actions are unjustified. Leaving aside the apportionment of blame, between us we have brought the *entente* to the dust. It is to-day little more than a phrase, a *convenance*; it is fast becoming a memory. These are frank statements and so strong is the force of habit that to some they may seem pessimistic. To others they will seem that they are the belated expression of an unpleasant truth. France and England have passed the parting of the ways; they have parted. They can only rejoin each other by one of two methods. Either they must abandon the paths of national policies and unite on the broad road of world co-opertation, a road whose trace is scarcely more than surveyed by the road makers of the League of Nations, or else one nation must definitely retrace its steps and follow along the path in world politics which is favoured by its neighbour. The present state of human nature affords scant hope of the acceptance by both nations of the first alternative, for the heady spirit of crude nationalism still runs briskly in our veins, notwithstanding the recent blood-letting on a scale of unprecedented profuseness. As to the second alternative, its adoption by either France or England would mean the recognition by that country of the fact that she was no longer a great Power. Here again human nature steps in. There is a third possibility, and that is that England and France will drift into a position of open and expensive rivalry such as existed in the '90's, and would have continued to exist had not the two countries been drawn together by the German menace. Surveying these three possibilities, we are inclined to recommend prayer on behalf of the first and insurance against the third."

Commander C. E. Brock, R.N., has been appointed to H.M.S. *Tamar*.

Mr. Howard Bucknell has been appointed American Vice-Consul at Canton. He is transferred from Peking.

The winning number in the Silver Purse Bay raffle at the St. Vincent de Paul's Bazaar was 140. The winning number in the eight-day clock raffle was 113.

From the latest home papers we learn that Major Henry Keswick, who formerly represented Epsom in Parliament, this time contested Dumfries County as a Unionist.

Major S. B. Coates, M.C., of the 102nd K.E.O. Grenadiers, left by the *Kaisang* for Calcutta, for the purpose of attending a course in the Senior Officers School at Belgaum.

The Chief Officer of the s.s. *Mau Sang* has reported to the Police, that, some time during Sunday, the Captain's cabin was entered by an unknown person, who stole a pair of shoes, a portmanteau and a pair of binoculars. The stolen property is valued at $112.

A fire took place at Homuntin, during the early hours of yesterday morning, resulting in 12 small wooden huts being destroyed. The fire commenced in one of the huts and spread with great rapidity. The Kowloon Fire Brigade was called to the scene but was unable to save the group of huts. The amount of the damage is unknown, as is also the cause of the outbreak.

The Medical Officer of Health's return for the week ended December 9th shows five cases of notifiable disease, and five deaths from influenza (not notifiable). This return comprises one Chinese case of plague, two British and four Chinese cases of diphtheria, one British, one Indian, and two Chinese cases of enteric fever, and one Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever.

Dr. Wellington Koo, ex-Minister of Foreign Affairs, has been appointed Chairman of the committee to prepare for the Special Tariff Conference to be held next year. Dr. Koo has also been entrusted with the responsibility to help the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the negotiations with the Diplomatic Corps with regard to the enforcement of the new Customs tariff.

An interesting lantern lecture on "Pond Life" given at St. John's Cathedral Hall last night by Mr. R. W. Barney, M.A., was, unfortunately, brought to a conclusion half way through owing to the lantern failing. The Rev. H. Copley Moyle, who was in the chair expressed his regret at the occurrence, but reminded those present that Mr. Barney had promised to give them another lecture at a later date.

The death took place at the Royal Naval Hospital on Monday of Engine-room Artificer Albert Gunn of the H.M.S. *Ambrose*, who was admitted to hospital last week suffering from pneumonia and pleurisy. The deceased was exceedingly popular in the Naval Yard and his funeral yesterday at Happy Valley was largely attended by Naval Officers, Petty Officers and ratings. Many beautiful floral tributes were placed on the coffin and a firing party and bugler attended at the grave side.

The fate of Mr. H. W. Looker in the General Election has not been mentioned in Reuter's cables, but as Commander Kenworthy is mentioned in a cable to-day as calling attention in the House of Commons to "the undesirable effects of the great number of coloured seamen at Hull and other ports," we conclude that Mr. Looker, who contested Central Hull against Commander Kenworthy was defeated. An excellent photograph of Mr. Looker as the Conservative candidate for Central Hull appeared on *The Times* pictorial page at the end of October.

A meeting of the Stewards of the Jockey Club on Monday night, came to the conclusion that the middle of March is too late for the holding of the annual race meeting and fixed the event for Wednesday, February 28th and three following days. The difficulty has been to consult the convenience of the Shanghai Jockeys on whom we so largely depend at our annual race meetings. The Kiangwan Races in Shanghai are fixed to come this year after Chinese New Year, which falls on February 16th, and Shanghai Jockeys are thus unable to come to Hongkong in the middle of February.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONFERENCE OF ALLIED PREMIERS.

ENTENTE PRESERVED OVER CHRISTMAS.

LONDON, December 11th.

The only point on which the Allied Conference of Premiers definitely agreed was the rejection of the German proposals. French insistence on the occupation of the Ruhr district was the stumbling-block. On this matter the Allies agreed to differ. Nevertheless, there is no disposition to regard the discussions as abortive, the delegates themselves insisting that no rupture has occurred.

The outstanding fact is that the Entente has been preserved over Christmas, which has caused considerable relief in authoritative political circles, in which stress is laid on the atmosphere of goodwill surrounding the discussions.

HOPES CENTRE ON LAUSANNE CONFERENCE.

It is hoped that during the period of adjournment of the Premier's Conference, the Lausanne Conference may achieve substantial results which would favourably react on the other negotiations.

BRUSSELS CONFERENCE POSTPONED.

The Reparations to be considered at the Conference at Brussels, fixed for this week-end, at which the Germans were to be present, will not take place before the New Year.

Mr. Bonar Law will probably make a statement in the House of Commons either to-day or to-morrow, and it is almost certain there will be a discussion on the second reading of the Appropriation Bill.

ONE IMPORTANT RESULT.

French circles declare that the conference led to one important result, namely, recognition of the fact that the problem of reparations and the general settlement of debts are inseparable.

EARLIER CABLES.

COMPROMISE LIKELY TO BE REACHED.

LONDON, December 11th.

Prior to the resumed meeting of the conference of Premiers this afternoon, the British Cabinet met, this morning, to decide the attitude towards the tentative proposal before the conference. The French and Belgian delegates conferred separately. It is understood from well-informed quarters that it is expected the conference will adjourn to-day or to-morrow, probably for a fortnight.

M. Poincare insists most strongly on occupation of the Ruhr. This proposal does not meet with the full support of British circles, but it is unlikely the divergence of views will lead to anything in the nature of a rupture. It is expected that a compromise will be reached before the adjournment.

GERMANY WILLING TO CO-OPERATE.

LONDON, December 11th.

An authoritative German quarter in London, interviewed by Reuter, indignantly denied the French suggestion that the German Note was only evolved under pressure and the threat to occupy the Ruhr. On the contrary, the German Government would not have produced the plan if it believed the Allies thought such pressure necessary. The production of the plan was evidence of Germany's willingness to co-operate in any definite solution of the reparations problem. The money derived from the German and external loans would be utilised not merely in stablising the mark but also in paying reparations. The only way of paying was by a loan, but Germany was unable to guarantee the issue of the proposed loan immediately. No foreign investor would invest if the Ruhr was to be occupied. Germany must be granted a considerable rest to regain confidence.

The person interviewed concluded:—All talk, like Mussolini's, of a great international loan, is nonsense. Such a loan would only be possible when the reparations question had been completely solved.

OCCUPATION OF THE RUHR ANTICIPATED.

LONDON, December 11th.

It is reported in French circles that the Allies will undoubtedly grant the German demand for a moratorium from January 15th, but occupation of the Ruhr will occur simultaneously as a pledge of Germany's good faith in executing financial reforms. The French report adds that the Little Entente representatives will probably attend the next meeting in London, Paris or Brussels, if, as is expected, the conference to-night adjourns for a fortnight, as they are interested in matters like the cancellation of inter-Allied debts.

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LATEST CABLES.

THE GERMAN REPARATIONS PROBLEM.

GERMANY DESIRES A SETTLEMENT.

BERLIN, December 11th.

The German reply to the Ambassadors' Conference Notes, dated September 29th and November 11th declares that the disarmament of Germany was completed not only within the limits of the Treaty of Versailles, but also in accordance with the London Ultimatum. It denies that there has been systematic obstruction by the German authorities.

The reply goes on to argue that if Germany wishes to settle the reparations problem, she must concentrate the nation's economic forces and increase production, but this will be impossible if she is obliged to destroy the material indispensable to agriculture and industry.

A CONCILIATORY ATTITUDE ON MILITARY QUESTIONS.

The German Government is anxious to terminate the activity of the Allied Military Commission of Control, and is, therefore, ready to display a conciliatory attitude regarding military questions. It considers that the Allies will recognise that Germany is not seeking to evade the Treaty of Versailles.

WORLD'S BIGGEST WIRELESS STATION.

SOUTH AFRICAN PARLIAMENT RATIFIES AGREEMENT.

CAPE TOWN, December 11th.

Mr. McLellan, an engineer in the employ of Marconi's, Ltd., has been placed in charge of the construction of the new South African wireless station, which will be the biggest in the world. When completed, the station will give a direct service to practically every country in the world. The South African Parliament has ratified the agreement, and the work will start immediately. It is expected that the station will be completed in eighteen months.

THE SIKI-CARPENTIER FIGHT

APPROVAL OF FRENCH BOXING FEDERATION GRANTED.

PARIS, December 11th.

The Boxing Federation has approved of the Carpentier—Siki match with the condition that charity benefits exclusively.

The match will be controlled by the federation, and Siki appears before the committee which is inquiring into his allegation that his match with Carpentier was faked.

CONFERENCE ADJOURNS TILL NEW YEAR.

LONDON, December 11th.

The Premiers' Conference has adjourned until January 2nd.

M. Poincare, returning to his hotel in the evening, interviewed by Reuter as regards the progress of the Conference, said laconically:—"It is finished."

BRITAIN OPPOSED TO FRENCH DEMAND.

LATER.

The Premiers' Conference on January 2nd will be held in Paris. The breaking up of the London conference was due to the British refusal to comply with the French demand for the occupation of the Ruhr district in return for granting Germany a short moratorium.

ITALIANS SUPPOBT FRENCH STANDPOINT.

LONDON, December 11th.

The final *communiqué* of the Premiers' Conference was confined to a review of matters deliberated upon and previously cabled. It confirms the statement that the German Note was unanimously found unsatisfactory and it adds that the Premiers' conversations will continue in Paris on January 2nd to enable definite conclusions to be reached on "the whole questions discussed in London" before January 15th, when the moratorium expires.

Reuter adds that, abandoning their previous opposition, the Italians supported the French standpoint, that the seizure of fiscal mines and State forests was necessary in connection with the exaction of guarantees from Germany. The Italians were also disposed to study the question of a Customs barrier in the Rhineland.

ITALIAN PREMIER EXPRESSES GUARDED SATISFACTION.

An important outcome of the discussion of inter-Allied debts was that the Balfour Note thereon was considered dead by the Conference. It is concluded that the Allies will discuss inter-Allied debts entirely apart from the United States.

An outstanding feature of the Conference was M. Poincare's impression of great cordiality in the relations of Ministers notwithstanding their prospective inability to reach an agreement as regards the pledges from Germany. Signor Mussolini, interviewed by Reuter, expressed guarded satisfaction at the result of the Conference.

LATEST CABLES.

AMERICAN DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE ABONDONED.

BUENOS AIRES, December 11th.

Brazil has notified the Argentine that the tripartite disarmament conference has been abandoned.

EARLIER CABLES.

AMERICA'S COMMERCIAL REPORT.

AN IMPORTANT PROGRAMME SUGGESTED.

WASHINGTON, December 11th.

The annual report to Congress by Mr. Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, recommends, *inter alia*, the establishment of foreign trade zones in the ports of the United States as a substitute for the present system of bonded warehouses, with a view to increasing the volume of trade carried by American ships. There should be a radical reduction in passport fees and a revision of the formalities required of travellers, owing to retaliatory measures abroad, "handicapping American merchants.

An adequate definition of the liability of ocean cargo carriers for loss or damage of goods was necessary, also codification and revision of the navigation laws, the enactment of a loadline law similar to the maritime Powers of Europe, and exemption from Federal taxes of American residents abroad engaged in expanding American commerce.

THE LAUSANNE CONFERENCE

ANGLO-RUSSIAN DUEL.

PARIS, December 11th.

Interviewed by a representative of *Humanite* at Lausanne, M. Chicherin declared that Russia would not sign an agreement opening the Black Sea to war fleets and violating the sovereignty of Turkey. Clearly Britain aimed at separating Turkey from Russia, but this was an illusion.

The conference had assumed the character of a duel between Britain and Russia. The policy of Britain with regard to the Straits coincided with the recrudescence of British activity in North Persia, where the presence of oil explained this policy. The absence of Russia's signature from the peace treaty would mean the Allies' success would be illusory and would soon fail.

THE GREEK DEBACLE.

THE ADVICE BRITAIN GAVE TO GREECE.

LONDON, December 11th.

Allegations that Lord Curzon did not acquaint his colleagues with the plight of the Greek Army before the debacle in Asia Minor were disposed of in the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law stated that correspondence between M. Gounaris and Lord Curzon on this subject had been circulated to the Cabinet, which had not discussed the matter.

Mr. Lloyd George explained that he was ill at the time of the circulation, and stated that he and Lord Curzon had advised M. Gounaris on January 12th, that there would be no peace unless the Greeks withdrew from Smyrna.

RUSSIAN DISARMAMENT PROPOSALS.

BORDER STATES AGREE TO REDUCTIONS.

REVAL, December 11th.

A message from Moscow says the disarmament conference between Russia and the Border States has agreed to all the clauses of a non-aggression treaty, except those dealing with the Polo-Lithuanian conflict and a Russian proposal to make the signing dependent on the signing of a disarmament treaty.

The Russians declared they would be able to reduce their army in the first year to six hundred thousand. The other delegations made similar declarations, the Polish representatives saying they could reduce Poland's forces to two hundred and eighty thousand.

THE COLOURED SEAMEN PROBLEM.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S DIFFICULTY.

LONDON, December 11th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Comdr. Kenworthy, who drew attention to the undesirable effects of the presence of a greater number of coloured seamen in Hull and other ports. Sir Lloyd Greame said that measures after the Armistice to induce unemployed coloured men to return to their native lands were only partially successful, and were expensive and had to be discontinued. He pointed out that many were British subjects. The Home Office had taken special steps to prevent the entry of non-British coloured men.

A KU-KLUX-KLAN ORATOR.

SPEAKS FROM BAPTIST PULPIT.

NEW YORK, December 11th.

A white-robed, white-hooded member of the notorious Ku-Klux-Klan, for the suppression of which there was recently much agitation all over America, mounted the pulpit of a Baptist Church at Brooklyn and read a statement declaring the Klan's aims as: "Down with the whisky sellers, maintain the supremacy of the white race, and promote Protestantism."

BRITISH NAVAL FORCES.

NEW BATTLESHIPS NECESSARY.

LONDON, December 11th.

In the House of Commons, replying to questions, Mr. Bonar Law stated that the Government had decided to lay down two new battleships, which must be laid down by December 31st, under the Washington Treaty. He regretted he was unable to arrange for a discussion of the naval situation this session, and said the Government had reconsidered the matter and had come to the conclusion that they had no option but to lay down these ships. It was impossible to delay the matter beyond this year.

ANOTHER AMERICAN POLITICAL GROUP.

COMBINATION OF INDUSTRIAL WORKERS AND FARMERS.

CLEVELAND (Ohio), Dec. 11th.

A conference has been opened for joint political action, being attended by national leaders of the Labour, Farm, Socialist and other groups.

The speakers declared that the recent elections brought together the industrial workers and farmers, demonstrating common economic and political interests, although they denied any intention of forming a third party.

RESTORATION OF BRITISH AGRICULTURE.

DOMINION METHODS TO BE STUDIED.

LONDON, December 11th.

In the House of Commons, the Premier said that after a consultation with the ex-Premier, he had decided to establish a tribunal of investigation, composed of three prominent economists, regarding the restoration of agriculture, and to make a study of the methods adopted in the Dominions and other countries during the past half century.

MUSULMANS & BOLSHEVICKS.

OPPOSITION MOVEMENT SPREADING.

LONDON, December 11th.

The *Times* Berlin correspondent says the anti-Bolshevist movement among the Musulmans in the Caucasus is spreading. News received by the Moscow authorities says the agitation has spread to all the Mahommedan hill tribes and is assuming a dangerous aspect.

ANGLO-PERSIAN OIL CO.'S DIVIDEND.

OPTIMISTIC FORECAST BY THE PRESIDENT.

LONDON, December 11th.

The Anglo-Persian Oil Company has declared a dividend of 20 per cent. Sir Charles Greenway, presiding at the general meeting, predicted that the output of refined oil from Persia was likely to be nearly doubled within the next eighteen months.

FIRST MEETING OF IRISH SENATE.

THE FOUR WOMEN SENATORS IN ATTENDANCE.

LONDON, December 11th.

The Irish Senate met for the first time to-day, when 54 out of 60 members took the oath. Striking figures were the octogenarian, Dr. Sigerson, Mr. W. B. Yeats, Countess Desart and three other women Senators.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE TREATIES.

REPORT REGARDING RATIFICATION REQUESTED.

WASHINGTON, December 11th.

The Senate has adopted a resolution, proposed by Senator Hitchcock, requesting the State Department to report on the progress made in securing ratification abroad of the Washington Conference Treaties.

CANADA AND AUSTRALIA.

CUSTOMS ARRANGEMENT.

MELBOURNE, December 11th.

Preliminary negotiations have been completed for a reciprocal customs arrangement between Canada and Australia.

M.C.C.'S AFRICAN TOUR.

BENONI, December 11th.

The M.C.C. team scored 284 (Sandham 128) and East Rand 46 runs for 4 wickets. The match was drawn.

VIOLENT EARTHQUAKE IN CHILE.

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, December 11th.

There were violent earthquake shocks here this morning.

"GRANDMA'S BOY."

Harold Lloyd's five-part comedy "Grandma's Boy" has broken records everywhere else and, if the bookings during the first two days of its season at the Coronet may be taken as a criterion, it is abundantly evident that Hongkong is not going to prove an exception to the rule. Amongst local film patrons the picture has created fresh enthusiasm for the engaging young man with the horn-rimmed spectacles who does the drollest things so amusingly. "Grandma's Boy" is to be shown for the rest of the week.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SEVERE EARTHQUAKE AT UNZEN.

INHABITANTS IN EXTENSIVE ZONE PANIC STRICKEN.

OSAKA, December 12th.

Twenty-three persons were killed and twenty-two injured in the Kyushu earthquake. The shocks continue.

Mount Unzen, six miles from Nagasaki, is in a state of volcanic activity, the roar of whose crater can be heard in Nagasaki.

The inhabitants in the earthquake zone are in a state of panic, and are fleeing from their homes. The local stations are crowded with refugees, who are unable to find seats in the packed trains.

Many villagers have taken refugee in Nagasaki, reaching the city by boats.

SHIMABARA DISTRICT IN DARKNESS.

Telegraph and telephone communications on the Shimabara Peninsula are seriously damaged, also the Shimabara Hydro-Electrical Station. The whole of the Shimabara district has been plunged into darkness, adding to the general alarm and confusion.

CHINA'S INCREASED POSTAL CHARGES.

"THEIR DEMORALISING INFLUENCE ON FOREIGN COMMERCE."

LONDON, December 11th.

In the House of Commons, Sir E. F. Stockton requested information regarding "the material increase in Chinese postal and telegraph charges since removal of competition by foreign posts." He asked whether the Foreign Office would bear in mind the demoralising influence of such postal methods on foreign commerce, and endeavour to afford foreign interests adequate protection in cases where China assumes control hitherto vested in international bodies.

Mr. Robert McNeill (Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs) replied that no official report regarding increases had been received. He promised to institute inquires.

ANOTHER KIDNAPPED MISSIONARY RELEASED.

PEKING, December 12th.

It is authoritatively announced from Hankow that the missionary, Rev. A. M. Lundeen, has been released by the bandits.

CHINA'S PREMIER.

DR. C. T. WANG APPOINTED TO ACT.

SHANGHAI, December 12th.

It is reported from Peking that a mandate issued yesterday appointed Dr. C. T. Wang as acting Premier.

LOCAL NEWS.

"IF DULL, THE FAULT OF THE COMMUNITY."

The following comment is from the *N.-C. Daily News*:—

The *Hongkong Daily Press* is at present publishing a series of articles under the title of "Reflexions of a Passer-By," and the latest one to reach us deals with Far Eastern newspapers. We do not need to concern ourselves with the bulk of his opinions, but dealing with the subject of "local news" he makes the remark that "by its nature it is inherently dull" and goes on to say:—

It is much more entertaining to listen to a best man's account of a wedding told in the club at 6 p.m. on the day of the event than it is to read a reporter's impressions of the ceremony.

No doubt he is perfectly correct, and if reporters could glean even a moderate proportion of their information by meeting best men and others with news to disclose at the club at 6 p.m., their job would be one of infinite ease and pleasure. But in a place like Shanghai, where one half of the foreign community not only does not know how the other half lives but has no idea of how it spends its time, this happy scheme of things is out of the question. It is true that news of a particular type but of a limited variety can be obtained at the club, but in trying to pick up anything like the whole day's doings the reporter who trusted himself to that one source would find that he was badly left. On the contrary he has a wide stretch of ground to cover and people interesting and uninteresting, polite and otherwise, to meet before his work can be nearly accomplished. And if local news be inherently dull, it must be the fault of an inherently dull community.

A large hammer was produced at the Magistracy, yesterday morning, by Inspector Caygill who said it had been used by the defendant in a common assault case to force the complainant in the case to pay a small debt of $4. Both the defendant and the complainant were Sanitary Department coolies and the complainant, to prove to the magistrate that he had been hit with the hammer, exhibited a bruise on his right hip bone. The Magistrate fined the defendant $3 and bound him over in a sum of $100 to keep the peace.

JAPAN'S RELATIONS WITH CHINA.

STATEMENT BY THE JAPANESE LEGATION.

The Japanese Legation at Peking on December 2nd issued the following statement:—

EVACUATION OF SHANTUNG.

The Treaty for the Settlement of Outstanding Questions Relative to Shantung signed at Washington on February 4th, 1922, provides: "The Japanese troops, including gendarmes, now stationed along the Tsingtao-Tsinanfu Railway and its branches shall be withdrawn as soon as the Chinese police or military force shall have been sent to take over the protection of the Railway"; and further that "the entire withdrawal of such Japanese troops shall be effected within three months, if possible, and in any case not later than six months, from the date of the signature of the present Treaty." The Treaty also provided that: "The Japanese garrison at Tsingtao shall be completely withdrawn simultaneously, if possible, with the transfer to China of the administration of the former German Leased Territory of Kiaochow, and, in any case, not later than thirty days from the date of such transfer."

Pursuant to the letter and spirit of these provisions of the Treaty, the Japanese Government withdrew the troops from along the Railway with the least possible delay. On March 27th the agreement for carrying out the withdrawal was concluded at Peking with the Chinese Government, and the withdrawal was effected on May 5th, that is, three months after the signature of the Treaty—that is to say within the shortest period provided for in the Treaty. All the troops along the Railway had been withdrawn by the above mentioned date, and by May 9th they had been sent home, *viâ* Tsingtao. As the Japanese troops withdrew Chinese guards were placed along the Railway, and since that time they have been discharging their duties, fortunately, in a satisfactory manner.

As to the withdrawal of troops garrisoned at Tsingtao, it will be promptly effected in accordance with the provisions of the Washington Treaty when this is rendered possible by the progress of the detailed arrangements now proceeding at Peking.

WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS FROM HANKOW.

The Japanese Government, on May 27th, 1922, announced that the Japanese garrison at Hankow would be promptly withdrawn. In accordance with this decision all the Japanese troops were withdrawn from Hankow on July 2nd, 1922.

At the Washington Conference the Japanese Delegation announced that the military radio apparatus in the barracks of the Japanese garrison at Hankow would be disposed of at the time of the withdrawal of troops, and in accordance with this announcement the Japanese Government is making preparations to pull down the whole wireless equipment. As to the barracks, accessory buildings and the land on which they are situated, part of them will be lent to the local Japanese residents to be used as a playground, club or public hall, other parts will be lent to the Tao Dobun Kai, for the purpose of enlarging an educational institution having as its object the promotion of Sino-Japanese culture and welfare.

ABOLITION OF JAPANESE POST OFFICES IN CHINA.

The Japanese Government will abolish the Japanese post offices in China by January 1st, 1923, in accordance with the resolution adopted at the Washington Conference concerning foreign postal agencies in China. But the communication between Japan and China is so peculiarly close and extensive that it is desirable to conclude—in order to save both countries the inconvenience arising from the abolition of the Japanese post offices—a special agreement looking to a reduction of charges and an improvement of postal arrangements on the basis of the International Postal Convention, and to carry such special agreement into effect before the Japanese post offices are abolished. It was considered necessary to confer with the Chinese authorities regarding these and other matters connected with the abolition of Japanese post offices; and with these objects in view the Japanese Government proposed to the Chinese Government that the Governments of Japan and China appoint delegates to hold a conference. The Chinese Government agreed to the proposal and the negotiations were opened at Peking on August 18th, 1922. The negotiations have been steadily progressing, and we expect that they will be concluded in a very short time. The special postal agreement mentioned above relates to ordinary mail, parcel post, letters and parcel boxes with declared values, and postal money orders.

The Hon. Charles B. Warren, American Ambassador to Japan, has gone to Peking for a stay of two or three weeks.

The Grand Lodge of Scottish Freemasonry has granted a charter of a new lodge in North China—Lodge Caledonia, Tientsin.

News reached Hankow last week that the Rev. C. O. Forsberg of Hsuchow, who has been a captive in the hands of Honan bandits for several weeks, has been released and has returned to Chengchow with a guard of soldiers of General Wu Pei Fu. No explanation of his release was given to him by his captors, but it was evidently due to the military operations in progress against the bandits. Mr. Forsbery says he was well treated in his captivity. Further information leads to the belief that Rev. A. M. Lundeen and the child of Rev. Borg Breen either have been released or will be set free. Fighting between the bandits and the Honan soldiers is in progress.

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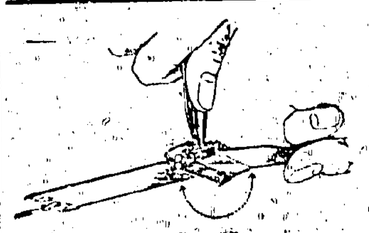

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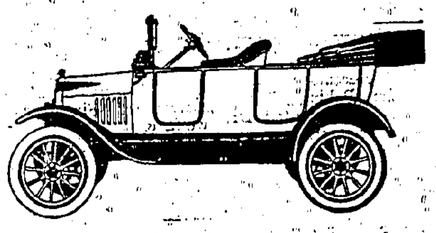

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HAVE WOMEN SOULS?

REVISION OF THE TEN COMMANDMENTS.

The American Ambassador (Mr. George Harvey) was the principal guest at the Authors' Club dinner last month, when he courageously devoted himself to the topic "Have women souls?" The quick and natural rejoinder, he said, was "Why not ask have men?" The two questions seemed analagous, but really they were not, and the respective answers must be found in evidence deduced from facts and beliefs. Buddhism denied the possession of souls by mankind and made no distinction of sex. Christianity asserted that men had souls and made it a primary tenet of faith. On the other hand, acceptance of the Jewish idea with respect to men did not necessarily include its application to women because of the contradictory teachings set forth in the sacred books from the very beginning with regard to sex relationship.

Mr. Harvey passed to an examination of the position as laid down in the Bible, quoting Genesis 1. 27: "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them." But in the second chapter there was the divergent version of the creation of woman from the rib of man. Examining the evidence, Mr. Harvey pointed out that the first Book of the Bible was a composite production, and argued that if one version of the creation of woman was inspired obviously the other could not be.

The Chaldean cosmogony was identical with the first version in Genesis. Persian and Parsee narrations still more ancient were in substantial accord. Mr. Harvey traced other ancient legends generally confirmatory of the equal creation of man and woman. He stated as definite conclusions (1) that the Book of Genesis as a whole was not inspired but was derived from Babylonian not Egyptian sources; (2) that legendary authority in favour of the Elohistic version with respect to both quality and quantity was overwhelming; (3) that the sole basis of the assumption that woman was created from man's rib to show her inferiority was a solitary legend incorporated in Genesis to maintain an existing and clearly unjust custom; (4) that there existed no warrant whatever in the account of creation for asserting that in this most important of all relationships the law of God contradicted the law of nature; and (5) that consequently the law of nature, which held all animate things upon an exactly even basis of perfect equality as to the possession of all attributes must stand.

There was no recognition in the Decalogue of the possession of souls or inherent rights by women. "The fact," he continued, "is that women are not only bound by but are freed, at least by inference, from any obligation to observe the requirements of our fundamental religious law. The Ten Commandments were written for men, and apply to men exclusively except in so far as indirectly through the agency of men certain minor duties are imposed upon members of the household, and even here the full responsibility devolves upon the head of the tribe or family."

This view Mr. Harvey justified by a close examination of the Ten Commandments. "Thou shalt not steal," he said, did not apply to women. "The fact that men have imposed restrictions upon women during the ages of their control since the Decalogue was promulgated," he said, "was wholly immaterial, and need be considered only in a diplomatic, not at all in a moral sense." Both theory and practice, no less clearly than logic and reason, drive us irresistably to this conclusion: Either the Commandments should be revised to meet the requirements of modern conditions, or a specific Decalogue, wholly distinct from that now restricted to observance by men, should be constructed for the exclusive guidance of women.

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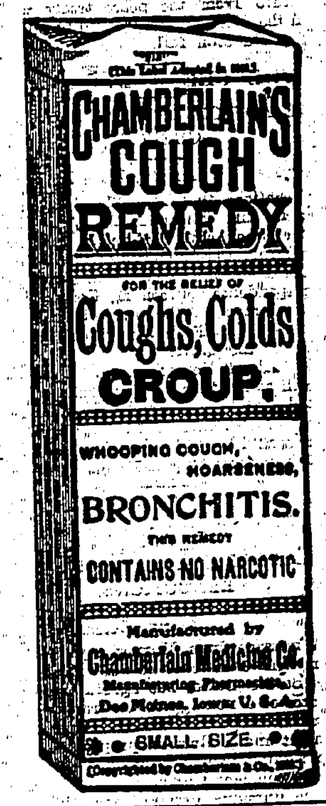

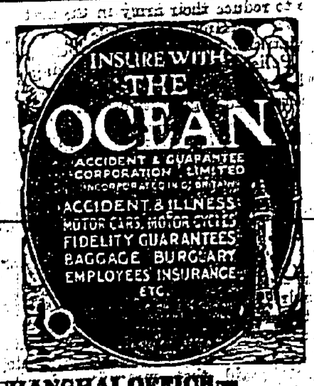

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LIFE IN RUSSIA.

OBSERVATIONS OF AN AMERICAN.

RICH MADE POOR AND POOR LEFT POOR.

The Russian youth of about 19 has always been a rough diamond, but I find him rougher now than he was 8 years ago. The reason is plain; he has been making no intellectual progress and acquiring no mental discipline. I might almost say that he has no knowledge of the pre-war world, for he was only 11 in 1914, writes a correspondent from Moscow to a home paper.

Since 1917 his energies have all been concentrated on food and drink, and most of his conversation has been confined to the same two subjects. Consequently he has the educational status of a child of 12 with all the passions of a grown-up man, and his manners are a curious cross between those of an 18th-century French nobleman and those of a 20th-century Pennsylvania coalheaver.

His sexual morality is as it was—bad. His religion, if he has not dropped it, is still a system of external rites, having no influence whatever on his conduct. Formerly he had to go to Confession and Communion once a year, otherwise he could not take any Government examination, and the result of this was to make obligatory Confession and Communion as official and non-religious a function as the payment of income tax.

Now he goes neither to Confession nor Communion, but is no better and no worse a Christian than he was before.

WORD OF ORATORY.

His experiences during the last five years have been so extraordinary that he looks on the world with eyes entirely different from those of a middle-aged man. The middle-aged man sees, or at least remembers, an essentially solid, hard-working, not uncomfortable world, where one reverenced the laws, had police protection, and advocated a consititutional monarchy. His 19-years-old son sees an essentially unstable world wherein work is useless and oratory everything.

And, looking at the matter from his point of view, the lad is not far wrong. Russians who worked and economised all their lives are now penniless. Engineers who spent 40 years studying and practising their profession are getting the same pay as hall-porters.

The Great War had an unsettling influence on American youths, though they did not, as a rule, see much of it. Judge, then, of the effect on the young Russian's mind of the Great War plus the Civil War plus Bolshevism and all it stands for. So great has that effect been that the 19-years-old Russian is a "novus homo" of whom I am not entitled to speak.

One Russian of that age, whom I know, has been married and divorced, has been sentenced to death by the Cheka, but reprieved, has spent six months in the western tower of the Butyrka Prison, where it was so cold in winter-time that he cut open the mattress on his bed and passed most of his time inside it, becoming finally so weak that he could not walk. Much the same, outwardly, as young Englishmen or Americans of the same age, he differs profoundly from them in mind, and his nerves have been permanently injured—not a surprising circumstance considering the sights he has seen.

HAIR STOOD ON END.

His description of those sights makes my hair stand on end, and makes me realise that the boy and youth who has seen them again and again during his period of youth can never be the same as the man who has, luckily, grown up without seeing them.

Not only are the young changed; even the old have been affected profoundly by the great crisis through which Russia has passed. This change is observable in the most trifling things. Formerly the Moscow merchants had vast quantities of good golden roubles at their disposal; but outside business hours they never talked about money.

Now that they are poor and that their money is not worth the paper it is printed on, they talk of nothing else from morning to night. The proletariat is doing the same; and this leads me to consider the question—What effect has the rough shaking-up of the classes by Lenin had on the proletarian and the bourgeois? The old middle class as a class has been destroyed, and its culture almost killed even when individual members of that class remained alive; while, on the other hand, the working class has gained little culture but much "swelled head."

In one bourgeois family where I visit the two sons who had been carefully instructed in music and athletics were taken by the Soviet authorities and made to impart all they knew of these subjects to the sons of tinkers and tailors and candlestick-makers in the Kremlin. All the sons of the bourgeoisie are treated in like manner, compelled, that is, to pass on their special knowledge to the poor.

DEPRESSING LIVES.

Some of the poor may have benefited, but the general impression made on me by Moscow is that of a city where the rich have been made poor, but the poor left as badly off as ever they were. Not only are the rich now poor (an important point), but the artist, the scholar, the poet, and the actor have nearly all been discouraged.

In the first place, the mere fact of their all being compelled to live in small bed-sitting-rooms must have had a depressing effect on them. I visited only yesterday the flat of an actress belonging to the Moscow Artistic Theatre, who is now on her way to the United States, and was surprised to see the state of disrepair and disorder into which it had fallen.

There were only two rooms, and the furniture consisted mostly of a sofa, whose hind legs seemed to have been used for firewood; at any rate, they were absent and an empty kerosine tin took their place.

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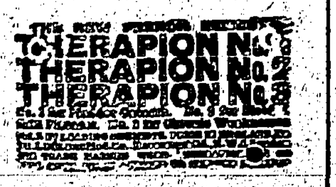

"This is not what I would call artistic," I said; but then it was pointed out to me that the poor woman had lost courage owing to most of the room composing her flat being given away to "men of the people"—oratorical mechanics, Communistic chimney-sweeps with large families, and such like.

There was something fine, I admit, in the sons of the rich being made to teach dancing, music, and athletics to the sons of the poor, and in the employment of servants being forbidden; but it must be remembered that this policy has now been dropped. It is difficult, indeed, to see where the Communist Party will now get the motive force to continue its work, for it has cut everything Communist out of its programme.

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BANGKOK via SWATOW	"KWAISANG"	Sunday,	17th Dec.,	10 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Tuesday,	19th Dec.,	9 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Tuesday,	19th Dec.,	3 p.m.
KOBE	"HOSANG"	Thursday,	21st Dec.,	Noon.
BANGKOK via SWATOW	"CHAKSANG"	Sunday,	24th Dec.,	10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG"	Wednesday,	3rd Jan.,	3 p.m.
KOBE	"FOOKSANG"	Friday,	5th Jan.,	Noon.
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ARRIVALS.

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Cheribon Maru, Japanese str., 2,491 tons, Capt. C. Hidaka, from Balik Papan, with a general cargo.—Nanyo Yusen Kaisha.

Shunshing, Chinese str., 297 tons, Capt. G. A. de Souza, from K. C. Wan, with a general cargo.—Po On S.S. Co.

Suiyang, British str., 1,394 tons, Capt. W. Shane, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

December 12th.

Andre Lebon, French str., 13,687 tons, Capt. J. Cousin, from Marseilles, with a general cargo.—Messageries Maritimes.

Chikuyo Maru, Japanese str., 655 tons, Capt. S. Yamashita, from Keelung, with coal.—Suzuki & Co.

Hwah Wu, Chinese str., 2,789 tons, Capt. Lee, from Chinwangtao, with coal.—Dodwell & Co.

Japan, British str., 3,837 tons, Capt. A. Munro, from Singapore, with a general cargo.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Kwanglee, Chinese str., from Canton.

Phra Nang, British str., 1,020 tons, Capt. H. C. Kiddle, from Hoihow, with a general cargo.—Cheong Yue S.S. Co.

President Jackson, American str., 6,400 tons, Capt. John Griffith, from Manila, with a general cargo.—Admiral Line.

Soshu Maru, Japanese str., 1,652 tons, Capt. Y. Okura, from Swatow, with a general cargo.—O.S.K.

Sunning, British str., 1,750 tons, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

Taishun, Chinese str., 1,216 tons, Capt. C. Taylor, from Tientsin, with a general cargo.—C.M.S.N. Co.

Unkai Maru, Japanese str., 991 tons, Capt. R. Yoshida, from Keelung, with coal.—M.B.K.

CLEARANCES.

December 12th.

Andre Lebon, for Shanghai.
Apus, for Manila.
Aushin Maru, for Canton.
Choko Maru, for Tsingtau.
Chungyo, for Hoihow.
Georgii, for Hoihow.
Huihong, for Swatow.
Hamburg Maru, for Shanghai.
Hokuto Maru, for Crapaud.
Hopsang, for Swatow.
Huichow, for Canton.
Lisbon Maru, for Macassar.
Margaret Dollar, for Manila.
Seikai Maru, for Singapore.
Shunshing, for K. C. Wan.
Sierra Morena, for Shanghai.
Soshu Maru, for Canton.
Suiyang, for Canton.
Sui Yik, for Shanmi.
Taming, for Amoy.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per M.M. s.s. *Andre Lebon*, on December 12th:—For Hongkong: Mrs. I. Lam, Mrs. Levine, Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., Mr. Walter Ott, Mr. Coster, Mr. A. Adler, Mr. J. W. Baldwin, Mr. E. Vacher, Mrs. Grese, Mrs. de Crousnillon, Pores Pradel, Bamps Felix, Boogard, Bouten and Van Zeeland, Mr. Peerenoud, Mr. Hirtz, Pere Rossillon, Pere Abonnel Auguste, Mr. Jonaville, Soeurs Adele, Louise, du S. C. Genevieve, Pere Vaquette.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The s.s. *Antiochus* (Blue Funnel), arrived at New York on December 8th.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Shidzuoka Maru* (American line) left Shanghai for Hongkong on December 11th, and is expected here on December 14th.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Australia*, arrived at Shanghai yesterday at 5.30 a.m., and was to leave at 1 a.m. to-day. She is due at Hongkong on Friday, December 15th, at 6 a.m., and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

C. of Dunkirk (Bank Line), due Dec. 29th.
City of York (Bank Line), due Dec. 21st.
Diomed (Blue Funnel), due Dec. 23rd.
Empress of Asia, due Dec. 22nd, 10 a.m.
E. of Australia, due Dec. 15th, 8 a.m.
Jufuku Maru (N.Y.K.), due to-day.
Keemun (Blue Funnel), due Dec. 22nd.
Ningchow (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 10th.
President Lincoln (P.M.), due Dec. 23rd.
President Taft (P.M.), due Dec. 19th.
Takaoka Maru (N.Y.K.), due Dec. 14th.
Tamba Maru (N.Y.K.), due Dec. 15th.
Telemachus (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 4th.
Theseus (Blue Funnel), due Dec. 28th.
Yoshino Maru (N.Y.K.), due to-day.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

The following is a list of unclaimed telegrams lying in the Eastern Extension, Australasia and China Telegraph Company's office at Hongkong:—

Number	Address	From
21256/30th	Central ...	Portlouis Mauritius

WEATHER REPORT.

Dec. 12th, at 11.40.—Pressure has decreased slightly at Vladivostock and Labuan, and decreased moderately at Shanghai. It has decreased slightly from Formosa to Indo-China, and is nearly stationary over the Philippines.

A new anticyclone has formed over S.E. Mongolia. The Chinese anticyclone has weakened.

Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m., 12th Dec., 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 68.71 inches, against an average of 82.40 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

District	Forecast
Hongkong to Gap Rock ...	N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy, some drizzle.
Formosa Channel ...	N.E. winds, strong.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks	The same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, December 12th

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 8 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	30.08	30.07	30.01
Temperature	67	63	65
Humidity	40	72	52
Wind Direction	E	E	E
Force	3	4	4
Weather	B	O	O
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on 11th ... 68
Lowest open-air Temperature on 12th ... 62

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From Dec. 13th to 19th, 1922.

Days of Week	Days of Month	High Waters: H'kong Standard Time	Height	Low Water: H'kong Standard Time	Height
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Wed.	13	m 4 18	5 8	m 10 48	2 3
		5 29 a	6 1	11 53 a	2 2
Thur.	14	m 5 39	5 4	m 11 43	2 5
		6 14 a	6 6		
Fri.	15	m 6 51	5 3	m 0 58	2 5
		6 56 a	7 1	0 51 a	2 7
Satur.	16	m 7 58	5 1	m 1 51	1 8
		7 36 a	7 5	1 12 a	2 9
Sun.	17	m 9 2	5 0	m 2 35	1 3
		8 15 a	7 8	1 49 a	3 0
Mon.	18	m 10 3	4 9	m 3 16	0 9
		8 53 a	8 0	2 25 a	3 1
Tues.	19	m 10 59	4 8	m 3 56	0 7
		9 30 a	8 0	3 2 a	3 1

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"KASHGAR"	9,000	27th Dec.	Bombay, Mars., L'don. & A'werp.
"NAGPORE"	5,200	10th Jan., 1923	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"PLASSY"	7,900	10th Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"SARDINIA"	6,560	24th Jan.	do.
"NELLORE"	6,853	7th Feb.	do.
"DELTA"	8,000	7th Feb.	do.
"KHIVA"	9,000	21st Feb.	do.
"MOREA"	11,000	7th Mar.	Bombay, Mars., L'don. & A'werp.
"KASHMIR"	8,841	21st Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"DONGOLA"	8,000	4th Apr.	do.
"NANKIN"	7,000	18th Apr.	do.
"KARMALA"	9,000	2nd May	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,009	16th May	do.
"NYANZA"	7,000	30th May	do.

BRITISH INDIA - APCAR SAILINGS

"TORILLA"	5,200	18th Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"JAPAN"	6,000	31st Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal

SAILING TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"JAPAN"	6,000	14th Dec., D.L.	Amoy, Kobe & Moji.
"SARDINIA"	6700	30th Dec.	Shanghai & Japan.
"TANDA"	7,000	20th Dec.	Shanghai & Japan via Amoy.
"NELLORE"	6,853	30th Dec.	Shanghai & Japan.

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SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SUNNING" ...	On 15th Dec., D.L.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	"LINAN" ...	On 16th Dec., 10 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"YUNNAN" ...	On 16th Dec., 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & PUKOW	"LUCHOW" ...	On 17th Dec., D.L.
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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Shanghai	*Hangchow* ...	13th inst.
Shanghai	*Sunning*	13th inst.
Straits	*Jufuku Maru* ...	13th inst.
Australia & Manila	*Yoshino Maru* ...	13th inst.
Japan	*Takaoka Maru* ...	14th inst.
Shanghai	*Shidzuoka Maru* ...	14th inst.
Straits	*Tamba Maru* ...	15th inst.
Shanghai and Japan, Canada & U.S.A.	*Empress of Australia*	15th inst.
U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	*Pres. Jefferson*	19th inst.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Swatow	*Hopsang* ...	Wednesday, 13th, 8.00 A M
Hoihow and Pakhoi	*Chong Va*	Wednesday, 13th, 8.00 A M
Japan	*Chersbon Maru* ...	Wednesday, 13th, 8.00 A M
Haiphong	*Tean*	Wednesday, 13th, 10.00 A M
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 2nd Jan., 1923 ...	*Pres. Jackson* ...	Wednesday, 13th, Registration ... 5.00 P M; Letters ... 5.00 P M
Amoy	*Japan*	Wednesday, 13th 5.00 P M
Haiphong	*New Mathilde* ...	Wednesday, 13th, 5.00 P M
Hoihow and Haiphong	*Leesang*	Thursday, 14th, 8.00 A M
Saigon	*Derwent*	Thursday, 14th, 8.00 A M
Bangkok	*Huichow*	Thursday, 14th, 2.00 P M
Swatow	*Hydrangea* ...	Thursday, 14th, 2.30 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Takao	*Soshu Maru*	Thursday, 14th, 5.0 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haiching*	Friday, 15th, NOON
Bangkok	*Phan Samud*	Friday, 15th, 5.00 P M
Shanghai	*Sunning*	Friday, 15th, 5.00 P M
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	*Yunnan*	Saturday, 16th, 8.00 A M
*Hoihow and Bangkok	*Linan*	Saturday, 16th, 8.00 A M
Sandakan	*Hausang*	Saturday, 16th, 1.00 A M
Philippine Islands, Australia & New Zealand, via Thursday Islands—due Thursday Islands 30th Dec.	*Tango Maru* ...	Tuesday, 19th, Registration 9.00 A M; Letters 9.00 A M
Philippine Islands	*Yuensang*	Friday, 15th, 3.00 P M
Swatow, Amoy, and Keelung	*Amakusa Maru* ...	Sunday, 17th, 9.00 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haifoong*	Tuesday, 19th, 11.00 A M
Philippine Islands	*Pres. Jefferson* ...	Wednesday, 20th, 3.30 P M
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, La Marques, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay & Aden ...	*Sicilia*	Thursday, 21st, 10.00 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haihong* ...	Friday, 22nd. Noon
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, La Marques, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via MARSEILLES—due Marseilles, 28th Jan., 1923.	*Kashgar*	Saturday, 23rd, Reg. & Parcels 5.00 P M; Wednesday, 27th, Letters 9.00 A M

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Canton and Samshui	7.30 A.M. 9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.	7.30 A.M. 9.30 A.M. 9.30 P.M.
Tai Ping Tung	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.
Shek Ki	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.	6.00 P.M.
Kongmoon	6.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.
Kaukong	6.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.
	6.00 P.M. Except Saturdays		
Wuchow	4.00 P.M.	10.00 A.M.	4.00 P.M.

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Credits, 4 months' sight	800
On New York.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	53⅝
Credits, at 60 days' sight	53½
On Bombay.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	—
Bank Bills, on demand	176½
On Calcutta.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	—
Bank Bills, on demand	176½
On Shanghai.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	—
Private, 30 days' sight	—
On Yokohama.—On demand	110
On Manila.—On demand	108
On Singapore.—On demand	100½
On Batavia.—On demand	108
On Haiphong.—On demand... ...	nom.
On Saigon.—On demand	—
On Bangkok.—On demand	89½
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying rate ...	$ 2.31 n.
Gold Leaf.100 fine per tael	—
Bar Silver per oz.	31 13/16

		Per cent.	
Hongkong ...10 cent piece...		$0.2	Premium.
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Canton ...20 " ...		25.10	"
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A. G. STEPHEN,
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Hongkong, 14th November, 1922. [9

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J. L. CROCKATT,
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Hongkong, March 30th, 1921. [49

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N. C. WILSON,
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THUYEN FEI,
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KAN TONG FO,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, March 8th, 1922. 73

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T. NISHIYAMA,
Manager.

11th September, 1922. [774

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, Limited.

(Taiwan Ginkō).
Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter 1899.

Capital Subscribed ... ... Yen 60,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) ... ... " 52,500,000
Reserve Funds ... ... " 12,180,000

HEAD OFFICE:—TAIPEH, FORMOSA

BRANCHES:
JAPAN—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka Moji.
FORMOSA—Giran, Kagi, Kanshirin, Koshun Makung, Nantō, Pinan, Shinchiku Tainan, Taitsu Taitsu Tsuzai Tokyen, Heito.
CHINA—Shanghai, Hankow, Kiukiang, Amoy, Foochow, Swatow, Canton.
OTHERS—Hongkong, Bangkok, Singapore Soerabaya, Samarang, Batavia, Bombay, London, New York.

LONDON BANKERS:
London County Westminster and Parr's Bank.

The Bank has Correspondents in Commercial Centres in the European Continent, Russia Manchuria, Tsingtau, Japan, Indo-China, Siam India, Philippine Islands, Java and other Dutch Indies, Australia, America, &c.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits at rates which will be quoted on application.

S. KONDOH
Manager.

Hongkong Branch,
8, Des Voeux Road
Hongkong, 7th September, 1922.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, PARIS

Head Office: 96, Boulevard Haussmann, Par

Subscribed Capital...Frs. 72,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital.....Frs. 60,400,000.00
Reserve Funds.....Frs. 69,147,301.56

BRANCHES

Bangkok	Hongkong	Saigon
Batambang	Mongtze	Shanghai
Canton	Noumea	Singapore
Djibouti	Papeete	Tientsin
Haiphong	Peking	Tourane
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Hanoi	Pondichery	

BANKERS:
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Interest allowed on Current Accounts and a Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

V. MARBOT,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, July 12th, 1921.

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